(c) Some complaints alleging irregularities in procurement of computers were received. These were inquired into and no irregularities were noticed.

Construction of bunkers and inspection posts on IB by Pakistan

895. SHRIMATI JAYA BACHCHAN: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Pakistan has constructed a large number of bunkers and inspection posts on the international border in J&K taking advantage of ceasefire in the last 3½ years as indicated in media reports;

(b) what are the reasons that his Ministry is unaware of this development while the Ministry of Home Affairs has confirmed reports; and

(c) the action Government has taken to counter the development?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY): (a) to (c) Pakistan has constructed several bunkers and inspection posts (observation posts) on the International Border in Jammu and Kashmir taking advantage of ceasefire in the last 3½ years. Strong protests have been lodged by the Indian side with their Pakistani counterparts. The issue has also been discussed in Flag Meetings and Bi-Annual Meetings held with Pakistan.

Violence by Naxalites in States

896. DR. GYAN PRAKASH PILANIA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the year-wise violence scenario (incidents/security forces killed/civilians killed/ terrorists killed/weapons-ammunition seized) in J & K/NE/naxal affected States during past 10 years and grand total, category-wise;

(b) how many States/districts/police stations, covering how much area and population percentage, are naxal violence affected; and

(c) what is the estimated strength of naxals, in men and weapons and how alarming is the threat?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) to (c) Law and order being a State subject, dealing with the various issues related to naxalite/terrorist activities in a State primarily lies in the domain of the concerned State Government.

As per information availabie, the total number of incidents, casualties in security forces, casualties in civilians, extremists killed and weapons recovered in Jammu & Kashmir, North-Eastern States and naxal affected States in the last 10 years is given in the Statement (*See* below).

In 2006, naxalite violence was reported in areas falling in 395 police stations in 91 districts in 11 States, out of a total number of 8488 police stations in those States.

The concerned State Governments take necessary action in respect of naxalite activities. The Central Government supplements the efforts and resources of the State Governments by various measures, which include deployment of Central paramilitary forces to assist the State Police forces, sanctioning of India Reserve Battalions to the States, assistance for strengthening of the State police and intelligence agencies, reimbursement of security-related expenditure, assistance in training of State police forces, sharing of intelligence, bringing about inter-State coordination and assistance in development works through a range of schemes of various Ministries.